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SUBJECT: SA COUNCIL OF TRANSPORT WORKERS REACTION TO ICFTU
BOYCOTT

1. THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL OF TRANSPORT WORKERS
(SACTW), WHICH INCLUDES EIGHT WHITE, COLORED AND MIXED
(COLORED AND WHITE) UNIONS HAS DECIDED TO ATTEND THE CONGRESS
OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS FEDERATION IN DUBLIN
SCHEDULED FOR JULY 21-29 DESPITE HAVING SUSPENDED ITS
AFFILIATION IN RESPONSE TO THE INTERNATIONAL
CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS' BOYCOTT OF SOUTH
AFRICA IN JANUARY.

2. THE PRESIDENT OF THE SACTW, MR. D.C. BENADE
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WILL SPEAK IN DUBLIN ON A SACTW RESOLUTION WHICH
READS QUOTE THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT FEDERATION
REJECT AND REFRAIN FROM PARTICIPATING IN INTERNATIONAL
BOYCOTTS AND THAT DIFFERENCES OR DISPUTES OCCURRING
ON INTERNATIONAL LEVELS BE SETTLED THROUGH DEMOCRATIC
CONSULTATION AND NEGOTIATION. END QUOTE.

3. COMMENT: BLACK SOUTH AFRICAN WORKERS WILL ALSO
BE REPRESENTED AT THE DUBLIN MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL
TRANSPORT WORKERS FEDERATION (ITWF) BY BADISA CLEMENT
MONTSHO, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE TRANSPORT AND ALLIED
WORKERS UNION, ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH
THE URBAN TRAINING PROJECT. MONTSHO'S UNION IS
INDEPENDENTLY AFFILIATED TO THE ITWF. HE WILL PROCEED
TO DUBLIN FOLLOWING PARTICIPATION IN A THREE-WEEK SEMINAR
IN GERMANY SPONSORED BY THE FREDERICK EBERT FOUNDATION.
THE UNREGISTERED TRANSPORT AND ALLIED WORKERS UNION WAS
FOUNDED IN 1973 AND SINCE THAT TIME HAS ASSUMED A
SIGNIFICANT ROLE AMONG BLACK TRANSPORTATION WORKERS IN THE
TRANSVAAL.
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